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438. *By Prof. F. H. Loud.*—Two equiangular parallelograms, $OACB$ and $OA'C'B'$ are so placed that the equal angles AOB and $A'OB'$ coincide. The sides of the former figure are constant, those of the latter are variable, subject to the condition $A'O+OB' : AO+OB :: area\ OA'C'B' : area\ OACB$. $A'C'$ meets BC in D, and $B'C'$ meets AC in E. Show that DE passes through a fixed point, and determine the point.

439. *By Prof. Nicholson.*—Solve geometrically the following:

On a line whose length is a are two points x distance apart; what is the average value of x?

440 *Selected.*—A lamina is bounded on two sides by two similar ellipses, the ratio of the axes in each being m, and on the other two sides by two similar hyperbolas, the ratio of the axes in each being n. These four curves have their principal diameters along the coordinate axes. Prove that the product of inertia about the coordinate axes is

$$\frac{(\alpha^2-\alpha'^2)\,(\beta^2-\beta'^2)}{4(m^2+n^2)}$$

where $\alpha\alpha'$, $\beta\beta'$ are the semi-major axes of the curves. (Routh's Rigid Dynamics.)

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ERRATA.

On page 74, line 4, for "1076.4", read $\pm$ 1076.4. ["positive".
" " 75, lines 12 and 13 from bottom, *dele* parethesis before "in" and after
" " 85, line 12, for "2", read 1.